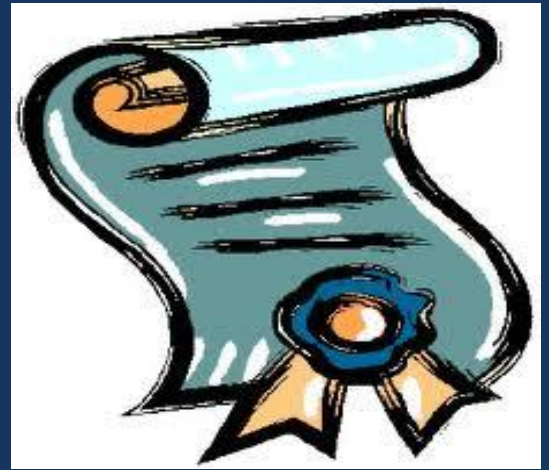


The Calvin Ball Bulletin

Legislation Edition: February 2011



Transparency and open communication is a vital step to create informed and engaged citizenry. This newsletter is purely dedicated to legislation relating to Howard County and will be distributed after the County Council prefile deadline which is typically the last Thursday of the month. It will include legislation under consideration by the Howard County Council and the Howard County



State legislation. Included within each section you will find a brief description of each proposed bill as well as links to find more details. I hope you find this information helpful and take advantage of this opportunity to become

more engaged. If you'd like to offer testimony on any legislation for consideration by the Howard County Council, please send an email to Councilmail@howardcountymd.gov. If you'd like to submit testimony to on Howard County State Legislation, send your testimony via email to hoc1@mlis.state.md.us.

Howard County Council INTRODUCTIONS

CR18-2011 Introduced by Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Angela M. Cash to the Equal Business Opportunity Commission.

To view the resolution, visit <http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/CR18-2011.pdf>.

CR19-2011 Introduced by Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Lisa Lopez Friedman to the Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board.

To view the resolution, visit <http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/CR19-2011.pdf>.

CR20-2011 Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of George W. Hunter, III to the Housing Commission.

To view the resolution, visit <http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/CR20-2011.pdf>.

CR21-2011 Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Christopher P. Parr to the Pension Oversight Commission.

To view the resolution, visit <http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/CR21-2011.pdf>.

SAO6-2011 Introduced by Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT transferring up to \$1,700,000 from the General Fund, Contingency Reserve to the Department of Public Works for unanticipated expenses for snow removal.

To view this online, visit <http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/SAO6-FY2011.pdf>.

**CB6-2011 Introduced by Greg Fox, Councilmember.
Co-sponsored by Courtney Watson, Councilmember.**

AN ACT amending the Howard County Code to require developers conducting pre-submission community meetings in accordance with Section 16.128 of the County Code to send a copy of the meeting's minutes and responses to certain questions to the meeting attendees within in a certain timeframe of the meeting; and generally relating to pre-submission community meetings.

To view the bill, visit

<http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/CB6-2011.pdf>.

CB7-2011 (ZRA 121) Introduced by The Chair at the request of 10071 WBO LLC c/o Patriot Realty

AN ACT amending the Howard County Zoning Regulations to permit increased residential density on certain CAC (Corridor Activity Center) zoned parcels and to allow the Director of the Department of Planning and Zoning to further reduce the minimum commercial space requirement under certain conditions; and generally relating to the CAC (Corridor Activity Center) zoning district.

To view the bill, visit

<http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/CB7-2011.pdf>.

CB8-2011 (ZRA 128) Introduced by The Chair at the request of Ralph Ballman

AN ACT amending the Howard County Zoning Regulations to amend the Enforcement provisions of Section 102: Violations, Enforcement, and Penalties to change and clarify the notification procedures and appeal rights for persons requesting an inspection of a suspected violation; and generally relating to the Enforcement Subsection of Section 102.

To view the bill, visit

<http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/CB8-2011.pdf>.

CB9-2011 (ZRA 130) Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of Marsha S. McLaughlin, Director, Department of Planning and Zoning

AN ACT allowing Farm Wineries – Class 1 as a permitted accessory use in the RC (Rural Conservation) and the RR (Rural Residential) Zoning Districts under certain conditions; allowing Farm Wineries – Class 1 and

Class 2 as a conditional use on Preservation Parcels or as permitted conditional use categories in the RC (Rural Conservation) Zoning District under certain conditions; allowing Farm Wineries – Class 2 as a conditional use on Preservation Parcels or as permitted conditional use categories in the RR (Rural Residential) Zoning District under certain conditions; defining certain terms; establishing certain criteria related to Farm Wineries Class 1 and Class 2; and generally relating to the Howard County Zoning Regulations.

To view the bill, visit

<http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/CB9-2011.pdf>.

CB10-2011 Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive. Co-sponsored by Calvin Ball, Council Chairperson, and Greg Fox, Councilperson

AN ACT providing for certain market-based alternatives to the moderate income housing unit obligation imposed on developers; making certain corrections in the process for determining the price of a moderate income housing unit offered for sale; clarifying when certain factors related to price will be established; amending the time that certain interest rates shall be determined; setting the maximum amount of earnest money that may be collected from certain purchasers; removing obsolete references related to the eligibility to rent moderate income housing units; making certain technical corrections; and generally relating to Moderate Income Housing Units in Howard Co.

To view the bill, visit

<http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/CB10-2011.pdf>.

CB11-2011 Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT pursuant to Section 612 of the Howard County Charter, approving a multi-year Interconnection Service Agreement among PJM Interconnection LLC, Howard County, Maryland and Baltimore Gas and Electric Company for interconnection of the Alpha Ridge landfill gas to energy project where electricity will be generated from methane produced at the landfill and used for some landfill operations with the excess electricity sold on the PJM regional transmission grid.

To view the bill, visit

<http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/CB11-2011.pdf>.

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CR22-2011 Introduced by The Chair at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION approving a public interest use for a monopole cell tower and accessory ground equipment on land owned by Trent Kittleman; finding that the proposed use is in the public interest; approving an amendment to certain deeds of easement to release the land used for the monopole cell tower and accessory ground equipment for a public purpose; and providing that the release is contingent on a certain payment to the County.

To view the resolution, visit

<http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/CR22-2011.pdf>.

CR23-2011 Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive. Co-Sponsored by Calvin Ball, Council Chairperson, and Greg Fox, Councilperson

A RESOLUTION authorizing the County Purchasing Agent to waive the formal competitive bidding requirements of Title 4, Subtitle 1 of the Howard County Code in order to enter into a contract with 3330 Rogers Avenue, LLC, a Maryland limited liability company, for the design and construction of road improvements to Ellicott Center Drive.

To view the resolution, visit

<http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/CR23-2011.pdf>.

FINAL CONSIDERATION

CR8-2011: Introduced by The Chairperson

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Joan Becker, Irfan Malik, David A. Marker, Cheryl M. Miller, David Myers, Kevin Rodkey, and Lawrence Walker to the Councilmanic Redistricting Commission and naming Lawrence Walker as the Chairperson.

To view the resolution, visit

www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/CR8-2011.pdf.

CR9-2011 Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION, pursuant to Section 2-105 of the Tax-Property Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland,

approving the names of Kent Finkelsen, Paul Gudelski, Wayne Lesonick, and Renee C. Mierczak to be submitted to the Director of the Maryland Department of Assessments and Taxation as nominees for the position of Howard County Supervisor of Assessments.

To view the resolution, visit

www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/CR9-2011.pdf.

CR13-2011 Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Daniel E. Tracy, Jr. to the Recreation & Parks Board.

To view the resolution, visit

<http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/CR13-2011.pdf>.

CR14-2011 Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Sandi S. Olek to the Environmental Sustainability Board.

To view the resolution, visit

<http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/CR14-2011.pdf>.

CR15-2011 Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of James Caldwell to the Environmental Sustainability Board.

To view the resolution, visit

<http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/CR15-2011.pdf>.

CR17-2011 Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Cathy Hudson to the Environmental Sustainability Board.

To view the resolution, visit

<http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/CR16-2011.pdf>.

CR17-2011 Introduced by The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Deb Poquette to the Public Ethics Commission.

To view the resolution, visit
<http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/CR17-2011.pdf>.

GENERAL LEGISLATION

CB4-2011 Introduced by: Greg Fox

AN ACT amending an uncodified section in Council Bill No. 14-2007, as amended by Council Bills No. 11-2008, 2-2009, and 62-2009, that required certain connections to the Planned Service Area for water and sewer within a certain time in order to extend the time to make the connections; and providing for the application of this Act.

To view this bill, visit
www.co.ho.md.us/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/CB4-2011.pdf

CB5-2011 Introduced by: The Chairperson at of the County Executive

AN ACT reorganizing the Executive Branch of County Government pursuant to Section 403 of the Howard County Charter; creating an Office of Transportation within the Department of County Administration; setting forth the duties and responsibilities of the Office of Transportation; setting forth the general qualifications of the Administrator of the Office of Transportation; providing that the Administrator of the Office of Transportation will be an executive exempt position appointed by the Chief Administrative Officer with the approval of the County Executive; making certain technical corrections; and generally relating to the Executive Branch of County Government.

To view the bill, visit
www.co.ho.md.us/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/CB5-2011.pdf

CR10-2011 Introduced by: The Chairperson

A RESOLUTION establishing a Charter Review Commission to review and make recommendations concerning the Howard County Charter; appointing certain persons to serve on the Commission; appointing a Chairperson; providing for the duties of the Commission including the duty to submit a final report on or before a certain date; and generally relating to the Redistricting Commission.

To view the resolution, visit
www.co.ho.md.us/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/CR10-2011.pdf

CR11-2011 Introduced by: Chair and Courtney Watson

A RESOLUTION amending the Howard County Council Rules of Procedure to conform to longstanding practices; authorizing the Chairperson to cancel a meeting under specified circumstances; clarifying when the Council is permitted to conduct closed sessions and who may attend such sessions; clarifying that the Chairperson may, but need not, vote; clarifying the way that Administration requests are characterized; and generally relating to the Council Rules of Procedure.

To view the resolution, visit
www.co.ho.md.us/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/CR11-2011.pdf

CR12-2011 Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION endorsing and authorizing the Howard County Executive to file an application with the Maryland Transit Administration of the Maryland Department of Transportation for certain grants under the Federal Transit Act.

To view the resolution, visit
www.co.ho.md.us/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/CR12-2011.pdf

ACTION

Below you will find the action the Council has taken on the bills previously under consideration.

CR1-2011 Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION recommending to the Governor of Maryland that Mary Kay Sigaty be appointed to the Patuxent River Commission.

Final Action: Passed 2/7/2011

Votes: Unanimous

To view the resolution, visit
<http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/CR1-2011.pdf>.

CR2-2011 Introduced by: Chairperson

A RESOLUTION appointing James P. Howard II to the Board of Appeals of Howard County, Maryland, to fill a term ending on December 31, 2015.

Final Action: Passed 2/7/2011
Votes: Unanimous

To view the resolution, visit
<http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/CR2-2011.pdf>.

CR3-2011 Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Arthur C. Gold to the Commission on Disability Issues.

Final Action: Passed 2/7/2011
Votes: Unanimous

To view the resolution, visit
<http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/CR3-2011.pdf>.

CR4-2011 Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Laurence C. Aaronson to the Public Ethics Commission.

Final Action: Passed 2/7/2011
Votes: Unanimous

To view the resolution, visit
<http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/CR4-2011.pdf>.

CR5-2011 Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Leola Howard to the Board of Directors of the Howard County Mental Health Authority.

Final Action: Passed 2/7/2011
Votes: Unanimous

To view the resolution, visit
<http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/CR5-2011.pdf>.

CR6-2011 Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Margaret Ann Nolan as County Solicitor.

Final Action: Passed 2/7/2011
Votes: Unanimous

To view the resolution, visit
<http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/CR6-2011.pdf>.

CR7-2011 Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Diana Carson Seybolt, Ph.D. to the Board of Directors of the Howard County Mental Health Authority.

Final Action: Passed 2/7/2011
Votes: Unanimous

To view the resolution, visit
<http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/CR7-2011.pdf>.

TAO2-2011 Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT transferring a total of \$27,500,000 to capital project C0282, Government Service Campus, from capital project C0214, Category Contingency Fund.

Final Action: Passed 2/7/2011
Votes: Unanimous

To view online, visit
<http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/TAO2-FY2011.pdf>.

CB1-2011 Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT for the purpose of authorizing and empowering Howard County, Maryland to borrow money in the aggregate principal amount of up to \$27,500,000 on its full faith and credit, and issue and sell its bonds therefor, to be used to pay costs of Capital Project No. C0282 (Government Services Campus), more particularly described in the County's 2011 Capital Budget, and to pay costs of issuance of such bonds; authorizing the County to issue bond anticipation notes or to enter into installment purchase agreements for payment of portions of such costs; and to levy taxes upon the assessable property within the County sufficient, together with other available funds, to pay the debt service on such obligations; and providing for and determining various matters in connection therewith.

Final Action: Passed 2/7/2011
Votes: Unanimous

To view the bill, visit
<http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/CB1-2011.pdf>.

CB2-2011 Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT pursuant to Section 612 of the Howard County Charter, approving a multi-year Equipment Lease-

Purchase Agreement between Howard County, Maryland and TD Equipment Finance, Inc., for the acquisition of certain equipment to be used at the Alpha Ridge Landfill. Final Action: Passed 2/7/2011

Votes: Unanimous

To view the bill, visit

<http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/CB2-2011.pdf>.

ENRCB55-2010 (ZRA 117) Introduced by: Greg Fox, Councilmember, Mary Kay Sigaty, Councilmember

AN ACT amending the Howard County Zoning Regulations to amend the Supplemental Zoning District Regulations in order to change the setbacks located on residential lots, under certain conditions; to permit apiaries as an accessory use; and generally relating to apiaries.

Final Action: Passed as amended 2/7/2011

Votes: Unanimous

To view online, visit

<http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/ENRCB55-2010.pdf>. Amendment 1 Sponsored by

Mary Kay Sigaty

(<http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/A1CB55-2010.pdf>), Amendment 2 Sponsored by

Mary Kay Sigaty and Jen Terrasa

(<http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/A2CB55-2010.pdf>), Amendment 3 Sponsored by

Courney Watson

(<http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/A3CB55-2010.pdf>).

ENRCB3-2010 Introduced by: Greg Fox, Co-sponsored by Courtney Watson

AN ACT to establish a Veterans' Commission; specifying its composition and duties; requiring a certain annual report; requiring County agencies to cooperate with the Commission; and generally relating to veterans and active duty personnel in Howard County.

Final Action: Passed as amended 2/7/2011

Votes: Unanimous

To view online, visit

<http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/ENRCB3-2011.pdf>. Amendment 1 to Amendment 1

Sponsored by Greg Fox

(<http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/A1A1CB3-2011.pdf>), Amendment 2 to Amendment 1

Sponsored by Greg Fox

(<http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/A2A1CB3-2011.pdf>), Amendment 1 Sponsored by Chairperson at the request of the County Executive, Mary Kay Sigaty and Jennifer Terrasa

(<http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/A1CB3-2011.pdf>), Amendment 2 Sponsored by Greg

Fox

(<http://www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CCdocs/A1CB3-2011.pdf>).

THE PROCESS

The County Council is responsible for adopting the laws of the County. The legislative process generally follows a monthly cycle:

- 1st Monday - New legislation is introduced; legislation from prior month is given final consideration
- 3rd Monday - Public hearing on legislation introduced that month
- 4th Monday - Legislative work session, if needed
- 1st Monday - New legislation is introduced; legislation from prior month is given final consideration

Council bills must be signed or vetoed by the County Executive within 10 days of the Council's presentation of passed legislation.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Unless otherwise noted, the County Council will hold its meetings in the Banneker Room of the George Howard Building, 3430 Court House Drive, Ellicott City, MD.

The next meetings are as follows:

- Work Session: Monday, February 28, 2011 at 4:30pm

Can't attend a meeting but still want to stay involved?

You can stream the Council's sessions online by visiting www.howardcountymd.gov/CountyCouncil/CC_WatchUs.htm and click on the meeting you would like to watch. The Council's sessions are also streamed real time on this website.



Howard County State Legislation UNDER CONSIDERATION

HO.CO.01 (LR0819) Creation of a State Debt – Howard County – The Arc of Howard County – Grae Loch Home Renovation. Submitted by Senator James Rovey and Delegate Elizabeth Bobo at the request of the County Executive

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$144,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The Arc of Howard County, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Action: Passed Howard County Delegation on 1/19/11. Filed as House Bill 107 and assigned to Appropriations Committee. To view the bill, visit <http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/billfile/hb0107.htm>.

HO.CO.02 (LR0765) Creation of a State Debt – Howard County – Troy Regional Park. Submitted by Senator James Robey and Delegate Elizabeth Bobo at the request of the County Executive

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$500,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the County Executive and County Council of Howard County for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Action: Passed Howard County Delegation on 1/19/11. Filed as House Bill 242 and assigned to Appropriations Committee. To view the bill, visit <http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/billfile/hb0242.htm>.

HO.CO.03 (LR0767) Creation of a State Debt – Howard County – Blandair Regional Park. Submitted by Senator James Robey and Delegate Elizabeth Bobo at the request of the County Executive.

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$500,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the County Executive and County Council of Howard County for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Action: Passed Howard County Delegation 1/19/11. Filed as House Bill 106 and assigned to Appropriations Committee. To view the bill, visit, <http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/billfile/hb0106.htm>.

HO.CO.04 (LR0510) Howard County – Slot Machines – Ownership and Operation by Eligible War Veterans' Organizations. Submitted by Delegate Warren Miller.

FOR the purpose of authorizing certain war veterans' organizations in Howard County to own and operate a certain number of slot machines under certain circumstances; and generally relating to slot machines in Howard County.

Action: Passed Howard County Delegation 2/16/11 with 2nd amendment provided by Delegates Miller and Malone. Has not yet been assigned a bill number or to a committee. Contact Courtney Samuels at 410-841-3360 for details. To view the bill, visit www.howardcountymd.gov/DOA/DOAPDFs/lr0510.pdf

HO.CO.05 (LR0568) Howard County – Alcoholic Beverages – Beer, Wine and Liquor Tasting License. Submitted by Delegate Warren Miller.

FOR the purpose of creating in Howard County a beer, wine and liquor tasting (BWLTL) license; specifying to whom the license may be issued; setting maximum limits on the amounts of alcoholic beverages that may be served under a BWLTL license; setting the annual license fee; authorizing the Howard County Board of License

Commissioners to adopt rules or regulations to implement this Act; increasing the maximum alcohol content of wine that may be served under a beer and wine tasting license to conform with a certain definition of light wine; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to alcoholic beverages licenses in Howard County.

Action: Passed Howard County Delegation 1/19/11 with minor amendment. Filed as House Bill 245 and assigned to Economic Matters Committee. To view the bill, visit <http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/billfile/hb0245.htm>.

HO.CO.06 (LR0766) Howard County – Hotel Rental Tax Rate. Submitted by Senator James Robey and Delegate Elizabeth Bobo at the request of the County Executive

FOR the purpose of altering the maximum sales or use tax rate that Howard County is authorized to impose on certain room rentals in the county; and generally relating to the Howard County sales or use tax on room rentals for sleeping accommodations for transients.

Action: Passed Howard County Delegation 2/2/11 with Guzzone amendment. Filed as House Bill 700 and assigned to Ways and Means Committee. To view the bill, visit <http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/billfile/hb0700.htm>.

HO.CO.07 (LR0731) Creation of a State Debt – Howard County – Mount Pleasant Farm House. Submitted by Senator James Robey and Delegate Elizabeth Bobo at the request of the Howard County Conservancy.

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$125,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Howard County Conservancy, Inc. for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Action: Passed Howard County Delegation 1/19/11. Filed as House Bill 243 and assigned to Appropriations Committee. To view the bill, visit <http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/billfile/hb0243.htm>.

HO.CO.08 (LR0945) Creation of a State Debt – Howard County – Former Ellicott City Post Office.

Submitted by Senator James Robey and Delegate Elizabeth Bobo at the request of the County Executive.

FOR the purpose of authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$450,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the County Executive and County Council of Howard County for certain development or improvement purposes; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; establishing a deadline for the encumbrance or expenditure of the loan proceeds; and providing generally for the issuance and sale of bonds evidencing the loan.

Action: Passed Howard County Delegation 2/2/11. Filed as House Bill 699 and assigned to Appropriations Committee. To view the bill, visit <http://mlis.state.md.us/2011rs/billfile/hb0699.htm>.

HO.CO.09 (LR0945) Orphans Court Sessions – Time and Place.

This bill was presented on 2/23/11 at a statewide hearing. Howard County Delegation is expected to vote on 3/2/11.

Thank you for your willingness to remain engaged.

All the best

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"At times, we ourselves feel that what we are doing is just a drop in the ocean. But the ocean would be less because of that missing drop." Mother Teresa.